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Serial No. 10/762,559

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Katsunori Takada, et al.

Serial No.: 10/762,559

Group Art Unit: 1793

Filed: January 23, 2004

Examiner: Tima Michele McGuthry Banks

For: STEEL FOR USE IN HIGH STRENGTH PINION SHAFT AND  
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOFHonorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Mail Stop A.F.**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 3, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper. The amendments to the claims do not add new matter.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.